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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 2003

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated September 24, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 24, 2003, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/AMAT/6059/BTP, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

The claims pending in the application are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Applicants' remarks/arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.